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From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management
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Subject: Review of CEQ Proposed Guide: "Aligning the Complementary Processes of Environmental Management Systems and the National Environmental Policy Act"
(ER 06/783) (Agency due date: **September 1, 2006**)

The Council on Environmental Quality has published a Notice of Availability and Request for Comments for a Proposed Guide: "Aligning the Complementary Processes of Environmental Management Systems and the National Environmental Policy Act" in the **July 17, 2006, *Federal Register***. You may access the Notice of Availability at the following Web site: http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/frcont06.html The Proposed Guide is available at: www.nepa.gov Look in the Current Developments section.

Please review the Proposed Guide: "Aligning the Complementary Processes of Environmental Management Systems and the National Environmental Policy Act" from your particular jurisdiction or special expertise and provide any information or comments to the individual identified in the *Federal Register* Notice of Availability by **September 1, 2006**. Also, please provide a copy of any comments you make to this office.

Any comments you make should reflect that they are the views of the bureau or office and do not necessarily reflect the views and comments of the Department of the Interior.

/s/ 8/7/06
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